

Senate Bill No. 1896

Passed the Senate July 11, 1996

Secretary of the Senate

Passed the Assembly July 8, 1996

Chief Clerk of the Assembly

This bill was received by the Governor this ____ day
of _____, 1996, at ____ o'clock __M.

Private Secretary of the Governor

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CHAPTER ____

An act to add Section 50030 to the Government Code, relating to local agency fees.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1896, Costa. Local agency fees: public utilities: California Telecommunications Infrastructure Development Act.

Existing law prescribes the conditions under which cities and counties are authorized to impose specified fees.

This bill would enact the California Telecommunications Infrastructure Development Act, to specify that any permit fee imposed by a city, including a chartered city, a county, or a city and county, for the placement, installation, repair, or upgrading of telecommunications facilities such as lines, poles, or antennas, by a telephone corporation authorized to provide telecommunications services, shall not exceed the reasonable costs of providing the service for which the fee is charged, and shall not be levied for general revenue purposes.

This bill would declare, among other things, that its provisions do not constitute a change in existing law.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the California Telecommunications Infrastructure Development Act.

SEC. 2. (a) The Legislature finds and declares as follows:

(1) Connecting all California homes and businesses to the information superhighway has the potential to position the state on the leading edge of the telecommunications revolution. The emerging technologies will encourage economic growth and provide social benefits to all Californians, as well as allow



California businesses and residents to compete in national and international markets.

(2) Congress and the Legislature of the State of California have enacted telecommunications policies that include provisions to encourage the development and deployment of new technologies, and the equitable provision of services in a way that efficiently meets consumer need and encourages the ubiquitous availability of a wide choice of state-of-the-art services, and to promote economic growth, job creation, and the substantial social benefits that will result from the rapid implementation of advanced information and communications technologies.

(3) New technologies require investment and expansion of telecommunications networks in order to bring greater choice to consumers by encouraging universally available telecommunications service.

(b) The Legislature further finds and declares that this act does not constitute a change in existing law.

SEC. 3. Section 50030 is added to the Government Code, to read:

50030. Any permit fee imposed by a city, including a chartered city, a county, or a city and county, for the placement, installation, repair, or upgrading of telecommunications facilities such as lines, poles, or antennas, by a telephone corporation that has obtained all required authorizations to provide telecommunications services from the Public Utilities Commission and the Federal Communications Commission, shall not exceed the reasonable costs of providing the service for which the fee is charged, and shall not be levied for general revenue purposes.

Approved _____, 1996

Governor

